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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the FITCI Manufacturing and Commercialization Center in the Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation, Housing & Urban Development, & Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Frederick Innovative Technology Center, Inc, located at 4539 Metropolitan Ct., Frederick, MD 21704.

If awarded, this funding would be used to renovate its current building into a manufacturing and commercialization space for our incubator clients. This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will benefit small and emerging businesses in Frederick who are growing and need to manufacture and/or move toward commercialization. This project will create jobs both in startup/emerging businesses as well as manufacturing jobs to operate the center.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and/or 5305(a)(4). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



David Trone
Member of Congress